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## Case for Power Co.

A. E. McPhillips K. C. Presents  
Argument for Defendants  
In Water Case.

Defendant Power Co's Position  
In Respect to the Gold-  
stream Lakes.

It Is Expected That the Case  
Will Be Concluded  
Tomorrow.

THE opening of the water works case yesterday morning marked the commencement of the argument on behalf of the defendants. In opening the case Mr. McPhillips referred to the evidence given, which showed that the upper record was for 10,000 inches and the lower for 15,000. In referring to the Water Clauses Act he contended that by the plural number being employed in the language that therefore the Victoria Power Company was not restricted to a single record or to a single location. Having applied for a record at Shawigan Lake did not preclude making application elsewhere. He contended that the Victoria Power Company's right extended within a radius of 100 miles from Victoria and that their application for power at Shawigan Lake did not in any way show two undertakings.

His Lordship referred to the fact that throughout the words "the undertaking" were used. It was questionable whether, having decided on one undertaking, another location could be decided upon. He had nothing in the evidence to show the scope of what the defendants intended to do.

Mr. McPhillips held that the defendant could go to the Victoria power company and ask permission to expropriate all the property of the plaintiffs. He contended that this was not the intention of the act. The company, he said, by its memorandum of incorporation was able to go anywhere in the area embracing the territory within 100 miles of Victoria. The application for a record at Shawigan Lake did not preclude going elsewhere, but, on the contrary, this application at Goldstream was for a new undertaking.

His Lordship thought that this was giving a different meaning to "undertaking" to that generally applied in law. This proposed meaning was more in line with what might be called the prima facie sense, and apply to only a part of the business concern.

Mr. McPhillips was of the opinion that if the company desired

To Change the Record at Shawigan Lake they could apply to the Lieutenant-governor-in-council for a further record. They could not ask for a change of the certificate from Shawigan Lake to Goldstream, but for a change in the certificate of improvement.

Mr. McPhillips said that the company might not find it advisable to go on with the work at Shawigan. They were not bound to do so, and he did not think that the purpose of the act was to preclude the opportunity of getting water elsewhere and establishing works.

His Lordship called attention to the fact that the company at the time of the record thought Shawigan Lake a fit place to obtain water, and the Lieutenant-governor-in-council also agreed with this and authorized incorporation. He understood that the contention of the defendants was that the undertaking could not be restricted to one locality.

The question was then raised whether the water was wasted after it passed the power house.

Mr. McPhillips contended that it was wasted whenever it passed the power house.

His Lordship thought that it could not be said to be wasted till after it had passed the ditch below the power house.

Mr. McPhillips thought that the Esquimalt company might be entitled to the capacity of its ditch, but that the water not contained in it was open to record. He also took exception to what he understood was the contention of the plaintiff company that it had rights as owners of the land to the use of all the water at Goldstream without any steps being taken to collect it.

His Lordship desired to know what was meant by the word "remainder" in Section 90 of the

Water Clauses Act. Mr. McPhillips was of the opinion that the remainder covered what was left at the first undertaking. He contended that with regard to the Shawigan Lake record it was needful that there should be a certain amount of capital subscribed within a certain time, and he said that their rights at Goldstream had ceased. The agreement of the water works com-

pany could not be considered according to any special act of parliament.

His Lordship was of the opinion that if the Victoria Power Company secured the record at Shawigan Lake they could not erect more works at Goldstream. According to his contention the statutes are very strong in their dealing. They can by the general act take and confer on the Lieutenant-governor-in-council the right to grant or withhold. He thought, therefore, that nothing could be held under it was absolutely stated. Any power granted act take and confer on the Lieutenant-governor-in-council might expropriate any property of another company. It was his opinion that the certificate at Shawigan Lake had elapsed for want of the required capital being subscribed.

Mr. McPhillips thought it was still in force, as the capital had been subscribed, and he would, if desired, produce evidence to show it. It was decided to leave this phase of the question until the afternoon in the discussion.

Continuing, Mr. McPhillips took up the evidence of Mr. Lubbe in which he stated that there was a waste of 10 per cent., while another witness put it at 39 per cent. He contended that this water was open to record, and the question of how much they could obtain was for the court to decide. It had been admitted in evidence that at times the stream was a rushing torrent and the evidence also showed that there was considerable water going to waste down the stream. This was also shown by the fact that the plaintiff company had shown evidence that they did not have to draw on the reservoir for 156 days out of a year. He contended that at the present time there is a body of water below reservoir No. 1 which is going to waste and which is open to record. Even if only one inch, it is open to record. It was not necessary to refer to the water below the power house, because if there was water to record above the power house it was easily seen that there must be water below. Besides this, there were two small streams running from Cabin Pond. The evidence of the caretaker also showed that there was water going to waste.

His Lordship was of the opinion that the plaintiffs had done everything in their power to conserve the entire run-off. He pointed out that a record means that someone has power to divert, and he could not see how the defendants intended to take water from the ditch on some days and not on others.

Mr. McPhillips then took up the question of riparian rights. He referred to the Consolidated Land Act of

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## Brutalities By Cossacks

American Jockey Flew From  
Warsaw to Escape Scenes  
of Horror.

Graphic Description of Cavalry  
Charge and Butchery in  
Crowded Street.

Soldiers Cut Way Through 5000  
People Leaving Place Like  
a Shambles.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—After seven days of the Russian revolution in Warsaw, after seeing hundreds murdered by Cossacks, and after having felt two bombs explode in the room under him, the American jockey, J. C. Mitchell, fled from Russia. He arrived here today on the steamer Bluecher. Mitchell has been in Russia under a contract with Baron Stoves. "I have had all I want of Russia," he said today. "I saw Cossacks charge

a small ranch where he could attend to his cows and chickens.

Some weeks after the appeal had been made to Mr. Carnegie a reply was received making further enquiries regarding the case. These were duly answered.

After some further correspondence, a definite proposition came from Mr. Carnegie's secretary suggesting that the person involved be aided to the extent of \$25 per month for the rest of his life. This was satisfactory to all parties concerned, and the other day the gentleman who interested himself in bringing matters to the institution was notified by a local bank to bring the beneficiary to the institution to be identified—Mr. Carnegie having arranged to pay this amount monthly to him for the rest of his life, and the first instalment had arrived at the bank.

ZIONIST CONGRESS CALLED.

Central Organization Calls Conference on Russian Outrages.

New York, Dec. 19.—The central organization of the Zionists in Europe has decided to hold a special international congress of Jews to take action in the situation in Russia. Advances were received to this effect yesterday at the office of the federation here of American Zionists. The congress will be held in Brussels on January 20, 1906. It is said that the American Jewish congress will be held before January 20, and that this assembly will choose delegates to attend the international congress in Europe. It is understood that the American Jewish congress will be held in this city.

## RUSSIA PREPARING FOR FINAL STRUGGLE

S. T. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Russia is apparently on the eve of a great, if not a final, struggle for mastery between the government and the proletariat. Both sides have lined up for battle. There is an air of suppressed excitement throughout the city. The streets have a holiday appearance in honor of the Emperor's name-day, and are crowded. Collisions between "Reds" and "Loyalists" are not infrequently expected, but fortunately none has been reported up to this hour. Batteries of machine guns are stationed at several points of vantage throughout the city, and patrols of infantry and Cossacks are everywhere. A specially heavy guard is stationed near the Jewish market. Services were held in all the churches today, and in every barracks the Emperor's order for an increase of pay and of food was read. It increases the annual pay of the army from \$1.35 per head to \$3 in case of the ordinary privates, from \$3 to \$6 of the guards. The pay of the non-commissioned officers is increased in proportion, in the case of the highest, or sergeant-major, amounting to \$36.

## Bravely Rescue Entombed Men

Workers Saved From Perilous  
Position in Tunnel at  
New York.

Swimmers Dive Through Icy  
Waters to Effect Mens' Escape.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Three daring swimmers today rescued the two Italian laborers who for more than forty hours have been imprisoned in the East River tunnel of the Pennsylvania Railroad by a cave-in at the Long Island City end of the under-water bore.

Surrounded by water which threatened to engulf them the moment the compressed air should fail to hold it in check, the two entombed men had kept up constant communication with the surface by rapping on the pipes which brought them air.

The first word to be spoken to their would-be rescuers by the two men imprisoned 40 feet deep in the tunnel came through an iron pipe at noon today. "For God's sake, hurry up," was the message. The speaker said no more than this to indicate what his plight might be. The rescuing party then had only seven feet more to drill through the cement roof of the tunnel where the men have been buried for 26 hours. The rescuers were transmitted through the pipe which is being used to transmit air into the tunnel.

An Heroic Rescue

They were almost exhausted when late this afternoon the three men swam up to the platform in the tunnel on which they were huddled and induced the frightened men to plunge into the water. The two stronger swimmers of the three each took a man upon his back, while the third swam alongside ready to render his assistance.

Ever since the cave-in, which filled the shore end of the bore where the men were working, more than a hundred laborers had worked desperately to sink a shaft to the point where the imprisoned men were thought to be located. Late today they reached the top of the tunnel. Then the work became so tedious and slow that it seemed the men could not be reached while alive.

In the meantime powerful pumps were working to overcome the inflow of water. At first they did not seem to gain, but finally there came

Slight Lowering of the Level

A rowboat was sent for, but when it arrived it was seen that it must be hours before the water would be sufficiently reduced to permit it to enter. Finally some one suggested that the rescuers swim to the exhausted men.

Captain Lewis, a cousin of one of the two imprisoned men, Charles Murdock and Philip Edlonge volunteered for the task and plunged into the icy water. Barely two feet separated the tunnel from the surface of the flood water. Then followed anxious moments for the watchers outside. At last a splash of water was heard and Lewis appeared in view with one of the entombed men on his back. Edlonge next appeared with the second laborer clinging desperately to his shoulders.

Rescuers and rescued were dived by the tunnel contractors. Tomorrow work will be resumed.

## Dynamiters At Work in New York

Bomb Thrown Into the Office of  
Employing Iron Worker's  
Association.

Suspicious Explosion in Exca-  
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Fragments of the missile were picked up in the wrecked room, but no one could be found who saw the person who had thrown it.

The Allied Iron association was founded recently when the structural iron workers declared a strike against the contracting firm of Post and McCord. One of the members of the allied association is the firm of Post and McCord, against whom a strike was declared sometime ago and who are contractors for the Altman building, where six men were killed by an explosion today.

A Suspicious Explosion  
New York, Dec. 19.—Six men were killed and more than a dozen injured in a dynamite explosion in an excavation for the Altman building opposite the Waldorf Astoria hotel at Fifth avenue and 34th street today. The explosion was caused by some workmen who started to redrill a partially drilled hole in which several sticks of dynamite had been left last night. About twenty men were at work in the vicinity of this particular hole. Some of them were blown to atoms. There were 80 men at work in the entire excavation.

## CARNEGIE'S AID FOR A VICTORIAN

Former Townsman of Scotch  
Philanthropist Is Pensioned  
for Life.

WITHIN the past few weeks Victoria has been a point chosen for the exercise of the philanthropic tendencies of the multi-millionaire, Andrew Carnegie, and an unostentatiousness was his generosity exercised that very few know of the kindly act of the noted Scotsman. The Colonist has been placed in possession of the facts, which are as follows:

A fellow-townsman of Andrew Carnegie, resident in Victoria, whose name for obvious reasons is withheld, found himself in straitened circumstances, his eyesight having partially failed him. Having mentioned his plight to a well known medical officer of the city, coupling his statement with the fact that he was born in the same town as was Andrew Carnegie—Dunfermline, Scotland—the aforesaid medical officer thought it would be a good idea to communicate with the kind-hearted "Laird of Skibo," relating to the latter the plight of his former townsman. It was suggested that perhaps a proper and adequate field of work for the old man afflicted would be to be placed on

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## RIOTS AT SHANGHAI.

United States Naval Forces Landed to  
Put Stop to Disorders.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The American state department was informed by cable from Shanghai at the close of the day that there had been some further disturbances there and that the naval forces which were landed from the warships and the volunteer guard of various nationalities, however, control the situation. The Chinese authorities, also, are endeavoring to suppress the disturbances.

Shanghai, Dec. 19.—Armed guards and patrols are maintained here everywhere to cope with a possible renewal of the disturbances. The streets are filled with rowdies. The shops are open but looting is greatly feared. The United States cruiser Baltimore will land a force today. The British cruiser Diadem is also landing a force of 500 men. Other warships are expected. German troops are coming here from Kaia Chon. Chinese newspapers say the rowdies proposed to take advantage of the mixed court dispute to attack and loot the foreign settlements.

Tokio, Dec. 19.—Owing to the disturbances at Shanghai the Japanese protected cruiser Tsushima has been sent there from Sasebo and the gunboat Uji has been ordered to sail from Kure to same destination.

## Dominion News Notes

Rhodes Trustees Cable Congra-  
tulations to Father of Can-  
ada's Prizeman

Expert Decides That 87 Cents  
Is Fair Gas Rate in  
Montreal.

Winding Up Order for The York  
County Loan Company  
to Stand.

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—The Governor-General has received the following cable from the Rhodes trustees: "The trustees congratulate Canada on Rose's success in winning Ireland and Craven scholarships." His Excellency had great pleasure in forwarding this message to Rev. Dr. Herbert J. Rose, father of Mr. Rose, and in his own personal message of congratulation. Prince Arthur of Connaught is expected to arrive in Canada from Japan the last week in March or early in April. T. Nossie, the Japanese consul-general, today received a cable message from the minister of foreign affairs for Japan informing him that under the recent treaty arranged between Japan and Korea Nossie's jurisdiction had been extended to apply to any Koreans who might be residing in the Dominion. Geo. Riley and wife arrived here today. They will spend the Christmas holidays at St. Catharines and Buffalo.

Montreal Gas Rates  
Montreal, Dec. 19.—Prof. Bemis of Cleveland, Ohio, the expert appointed by the city council to report on what would be a reasonable price for gas in Montreal, today reported to the council that the price, in his opinion, should be 87 cents. The city council has a franchise extending for five years, but would like an extension, and had offered for such extension to reduce the price within the next four years from \$1.20 to \$1 for lighting, and within two years from \$1 to 90 cents for fuel gas.

The York County Loan

Toronto, Dec. 19.—An attempt to upset Judge Tootell's winding-up order in the case of the York County Loan Co. was made before Chief Justice Meredith in court this morning. James Dicknell, K. C., acting for a number of outside shareholders, made the application, arguing, first, that the company, having a provincial charter, could not come under the Dominion Winding-up act; secondly—that the company was not insolvent and the shareholders, as such, were not creditors. Chief Justice Meredith replied that the shareholders were creditors and very serious creditors, and he declined to consider the question of insolvency. The act of the directors was an admission of their inability to conduct the affairs of the company. He refused leave to appeal against the winding-up order on the point of solvency. On the point of jurisdiction of the Dominion Winding-up act, he granted a special case to the court of appeal with the proviso, however, that liquidation proceedings should not be stayed unless so ordered by the court of appeals.

Master Plumbers Prosecuted

Conspiracy charges against individual members of Master Plumbers' association were commenced in the police court today. There are 165 cases in all.

The will of Rev. Robert Warren, D. D., late general secretary of the Methodist church of Canada was entered for probate yesterday. The gross estate is \$105,776.50.

George W. Draeger Dead

Halifax, Dec. 19.—Geo. W. Draeger, ex-governor of Melville island, is dead, aged 82 years. He was governor of Melville island military prison for about 30 years, retiring about ten years ago.

Rufus H. Pone Nominated

Sherbrooke, Dec. 19.—R. H. Pone, ex-M. P., has been nominated by Compton, P. R., to oppose A. B. Hunt, Liberal, in the forthcoming election of 1910 in the electoral district of Sherbrooke.

Murderer Goes Insane

Kingston, Dec. 19.—Valentine Shortis, the Valleyfield murderer, transferred from St. Vincent de Paul to Kingston penitentiary, is now temporarily insane, and has been transferred to the insane asylum.

Mrs. Charlton Dead

Since, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Ella Gray Charlton, wife of Hon. J. Charlton, is dead, aged 68 years.

Doukhobors Fleeing From Russia

Halifax, Dec. 19.—Peter Vergein, head of the Doukhobor colony at Yorkton, Sask. is here. "Our colony is prosperous," said he, and you can say that we like this country. Asked whether many new arrivals had come to the colony during the year he said that in the fall fully 200 doukhobors came from Siberia, whence they had been banished by the Russian government because they had refused to carry arms. Their families were, many of them already here and to them they were like fathers and brothers from the land of the dead. For twelve long years they had pined away in the dreary Siberian wilds buoyed up by the hope of seeing their families again in Canada whence they had gone during their captivity. "Why were these men sent to Siberia?" was asked. "They had no other alternative," he replied, "than that of taking up arms and doukhobors will never do that. They preferred to go in exile than to violate the tenets of their religion."

Most of these exiles were sentenced to eighteen years, but their terms were reduced to twelve and they were allowed to come out to Canada. In the west there are two colonies of these people, one at Yorkton and another at Prince Albert. The past year he stated was a prosperous one for them. The crops had been splendid but not more than half of it had been threshed out although they had twenty threshing outfits of their own at work. Last spring they had ten steam engines in use to do their plowing, besides a large number of horses.

Ottawa Hockey Team

Final arrangements for the western trip of the Ottawa hockey team were (Continued on Page Three.)

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CANADIANS LEAD.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Canadians took premier honors in the breeding of Clydesdale class of the international livestock show here today. The chief rivals were the firm of Graham Bros. of Ontario and Galbraith & Sons of Janesville, Wis.

In the fat sheep class R. H. Harding of Torndale, Ont., took three firsts in the Dorset class.

# QUALITY FIXES THE VALUE

# POMMERY

THE HIGHEST PRICED CHAMPAGNE SHIPPED FROM FRANCE  
THE HIGHEST PRICED CHAMPAGNE ON THE LONDON MARKET

mittee of railroad men called to discuss the question of a strike and beat its members nearly to death.

**Czar Is Determined**  
Berlin, Dec. 19.—Count Von Alvensleben, the retiring German Ambassador at St. Petersburg, talking to the St. Petersburg correspondent of The Associated Press regarding his farewell audience with Emperor Nicholas said the emperor spoke freely about the situation and said firmly that he intended first to restore order and then carry out all the reforms promised. His majesty added that he relied upon the assistance of the national assembly.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the St. Petersburg Zeitung affirms that he has been assured by "Serious persons" there exists at the Russian court a party including two ministers which is intriguing to persuade the foreign powers to take steps to rescue their subjects in Russia as a means of raising Russian national feeling to a point which will result in saving the country from anarchy.

Visit the old church, corner Broad and Pandora streets. Many new and useful things for Christmas gifts. Also decorations from the West Side at holiday prices.

**THREE HAPPY COUPLES.**  
Nanaimo, Dec. 19.—(Special).—Mr. Isaac Dougan and Miss Annie Muir, both of Victoria, arrived from the capital on the noon train today and are to be married by Rev. A. Silver White early tomorrow morning. Miss Muir is one of Nanaimo's native daughters, well known and very popular here. The young couple leave by the morning train for Victoria en route Seattle to spend the honeymoon. They will reside in Victoria.

The marriage of Chester Young to Miss Nora, daughter of ex-Mayor Quennell, will also be solemnized at St. Paul's by Rev. Mr. White tomorrow morning and in the evening William White and Miss Lillian Taylor are to be united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. Amsford. They will spend the honeymoon in Victoria.

Anything you wish to sell, no matter what it is, see Bittencourt at the church corner Broad and Pandora street. Phone A 906.

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There is not the least danger in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to your children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. It has an established reputation of more than thirty years as the most successful medicine in use for colds, croup and whooping cough. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Children like it. Sold by all druggists.

**INSURANCE INVESTIGATION.**  
New York, Dec. 19.—An inquiry into the affairs of the Washington Insurance Company was begun today by the legislative insurance investigating committee, when John Tatlock president of the company, was called to the witness stand. Mr. Tatlock was elected in December, 1904, after an examination of the company by the state department, which resulted in a reorganization of the management of the company. The committee detailed reforms that had been instituted since the reorganization, among them the abolition of a cash surrender value in policies, and the elimination of the loan feature. He said that his experience had been that about 5 per cent. of loans were not repaid and that a loan was but a deferred surrender of a policy.

According to the witness \$60,000 in advances to agents had been placed upon the books of the company thus far this year. These, he explained, were loans made by the company to its agents. No contributions for political purposes had ever been made by the Washington Life, as far as the witness had been able to learn, and the only thing in the nature of a legislative expense was a retainer to W. S. Walker, who, the witness thought, was a Chicago newspaper man. This retainer was paid from 1891 until Mr. Tatlock took the presidency when it was cut off. Walker wrote special stories on insurance and upon insurance measures pending in western legislatures.

Immediately after the present year, at the instigation of the finance committee much of the company's holdings in bonds and mortgages upon real estate were closed out and the funds, invested in negotiable securities. In many of these transactions, the securities were purchased through A. J. Ryan, broker, of Thomas Ryan, financier. About \$40,000 has been invested in securities since January 1st last. In the list of securities furnished the committee appeared \$100,000 of American tobacco, purchased January 13th. This was subsequently sold out at a profit of \$27,000. The witness explained that while the auditing committee did not look with favor upon the holdings of this stock it was sold out because it was purchased as a temporary holding and it was good to sell it.

**Did Not Favor Syndicates**  
The company never had gone into a syndicate until this year. Since January 1st, it has been in such a position. Previous to calling Mr. Tatlock, president H. W. B. Townsley of the Life Association of America, was called to complete his testimony which was interrupted by adjournment yesterday. He received a salary of \$12,000 a year. He said that the \$50,000 voted to him and Eugene Van Schack for organizing the company came under the observation of the insurance department and that the attorney general had notified them that it would have to be paid back.

The Knickerbocker Investment Company owns a majority of the trust voted certificates of the Bankers Life, which are pledged to the Manhattan Bonding and Underwriting which Townsley and Van Schack organized, and which they are directors.

Have your Christmas presents delivered by the messenger service, phone 409, 22 Troncy avenue.

**USED UP AND TIRED OUT**  
MEN AT THE OFFICE  
WOMEN IN THE HOME  
CHILDREN AT SCHOOL

Every day in the week and every week in the year men, women and children feel all used up and tired out.

The strain of business, the cares of home and social life and the task of study cause terrible suffering from heart and nerve troubles. The efforts put forth to keep up to the modern "high pressure" mode of life in this age soon wears out the strongest system, shatters the nerves and weakens the heart. Thousands find life a burden and others an early grave. The strain on the system causes nervousness, palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, faint and dizzy spells, skip beats, weak and irregular pulse, smothering and sinking spells, etc. The blood becomes weak and watery and eventually causes decline.

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are indicated for all diseases arising from a weak and debilitated condition of the heart or of the nerve centers. Mrs. Thos. Hall, Keldon, Ont., writes: "For the past two or three years I have been troubled with nervousness and heart failure, and the doctors failed to give me any relief. I decided at last to give Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills a trial, and I would not now be without them if they cost twice as much. I have recommended them to my neighbors and friends."

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**Passenger Trains in a Collision**  
New York Central Tracks the Scene of Another Big Smash Up.

**Fortunately But One Man Loses His Life and 40 Others Injured.**

New York, Dec. 19.—In one of the most extraordinary accidents known to American railroading two heavy towed passenger trains came together on the elevated tracks of the Hudson River Railroad at 6:30 tonight, just past One Hundred and Tenth street in Harlem. J. W. Knapp of New Rochelle was killed and 40 persons were more or less seriously injured. Both of the colliding trains were northbound and had left the Grand Central station at Forty-Second street within a few minutes of each other. One was a Stamford local on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, which company uses the New York Central tracks. The other train was the Poughkeepsie express on the Central tracks. Rushing along parallel tracks, the trains suddenly came together. The local was switched from its own tracks and in an instant the engine crashed into the day coach of the local. The tracks here are raised about thirty feet. This made the work of

**Rescue Difficult and Hazardous**  
and added to the terror of the passengers. Fire apparatus from the various stations was summoned and many were rescued by means of ladders placed against the elevated structures.

John D. Horn, engineer of the express train, was arrested tonight on the charge of manslaughter, and later was released on bail. No one on the Poughkeepsie train, as far as can be learned, was hurt.

Trains leaving the Grand Central station run through the Park avenue tunnel to Ninety-seventh street, where the tracks emerge and are elevated. Part of the distance there is a stone viaduct and further along a steel and stone structure. There is a switch over from the express to the local tracks before the one Hundred and Tenth street station is reached. It was

**Here the Accident Occurred**  
Stories as to the cause are conflicting, as both engineers claim to have given the proper signal lights.

Hurrying ambulances and fire apparatus attracted thousands of persons to the scene of the wreck. Many persons climbed to the elevated structure to assist the injured, whose cries could be plainly heard in the street.

The blocking of the northbound tracks congested traffic on both the New York, New Haven & Hartford and New York Central roads. No trains left the Grand Central station for an hour or more, and police reserves had to be called to handle the crowds which choked the big structure.

Coroner Scholer examined Towerman Dwyer, in charge of the switch tower, who declared that the Stamford train had a clear right of way. Dwyer declared Engineer John D. Horn of the Poughkeepsie train had disregarded a signal which was set against him and had come on at undiminished speed. After hearing this, Coroner Scholer caused the arrest of Horn.

**RAILROAD WRECKS YESTERDAY.**  
Passenger Train Ditched, Killing Two—Two Freight Collide.

Reading, Dec. 19.—A westbound passenger train was wrecked at Badger creek bridge near here today. The engine, baggage and express cars and two coaches were derailed. The express coach turned over and caught fire. The dead: E. B. Derrick, Kansas City, express messenger; Harry Davis, Topeka, engineer. Two passengers in the smoker were slightly injured. It is believed the train was ditched by wreckers. The skulls securing one rail and the fish plates had been removed.

Egg sets, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Toast racks, 50c. and 75c. Biscuit jars, 65c. and \$1.15. Rose water, 20c. to 50c. Champagne jugs, \$1.10 to \$1.75. Mustard pots, 15c. to 30c. Berry sets, \$1.75 to \$4. Breakfast sets, 60c. to \$1.75. Water sets, \$1.10 to \$2. Five o'clock tea sets, \$3 to \$3.50. See our window. R. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street.

**SEVERAL KILLED AT FIRE.**  
Chicago, Dec. 19.—One fireman was killed and several employees have lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the enamel sign factory of the Chas. W. Schon Co., 7 to 15 Park street, tonight. Until the ruins have been searched it will not be known positively whether any of the employees were killed either in the explosion which started the fire or by the falling of the walls and floors which followed soon after. When the fire was at its height one of the walls suddenly collapsed and several firemen were precipitated in the debris. With the exception of Lieut. Henry Bassett, of Truck Company No. 174, who was crushed to death, all escaped with a severe shaking up. Many employees were injured in the panic soon after the fire broke out. Forty girls and 130 men and boys were employed in the factory, and according to the officials of the company, all but two persons have been accounted for. The police and firemen, however, declare that several of the employees who were unable to make their escape were in the building at the time the floors and walls collapsed.

**DIED**  
CRIDGE.—At the family residence, "Marfield," on Tuesday, December 19, Mary, wife of Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge, and youngest daughter of George Wimmell, Esq., of "Valence," Romford, Essex, England; aged 78 years and 8 months.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, December 21, at 2 o'clock, from the residence as above, and at the Reformed Episcopal church at 2:30 p. m.

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## Case for Power Co.

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1888, and quoted from it to show that the riparian right owner had no exclusive right such as claimed by the plaintiffs.

An adjournment was then taken until after lunch.

**Afternoon Session**

On resuming after the adjournment, Mr. McPhillips continued his argument in reference to riparian right ownership. He contended that the act was repealed in 1897, and by that repealment it took away the rights of the plaintiffs. He claimed that the plaintiffs were using water for power purposes when they were only entitled to it for water works purposes, which was not in accordance with the statutes.

His Lordship was of the opinion that there was nothing in the statutes which entitled them to dam the water supply and divert for other than domestic purposes.

Mr. McPhillips contended that the plaintiffs did not have the right to claim exclusive rights to all water and land in that section, nor were they entitled to use it for power purposes. If they desired to use it for power, they had the right to appear before a supreme court judge and apply for the right to use it for power. He did not think the legislature intended to allow for confiscation, but only desired to set a time for all companies to commence operations. From the evidence Mr. McPhillips claimed that it was shown that the company was organized to supply power to the National Electric Company. The company contracted to supply power and were to be paid by the horse power. He held that as reservoirs Nos. 1 and 2 could only hold a certain quantity, the power company were entitled to the remainder. He contended that the companies which are given special power are subject to the Consolidated Land Clauses Act. By this they must exercise their power within three years. The legislature passed the act in 1885. In 1892 they enacted another law under ordinary circumstances would not have touched the companies, as their time for commencing work had expired. In 1897

all the companies incorporated were

**Under Special Acts**

Mr. McPhillips drew attention to the fact that in the act of 1885 special reference had been made to lakes. In 1892 no mention had been made of the lakes, only referring to Goldstream and tributaries. He contended that if it was necessary to make special mention in 1885, it was also necessary to do so in 1892 and 1897, but as it had not been done, he held that the water works company were not entitled to Goldstream lakes. He thought that the water company by claiming the lakes would have to depend on their riparian ownership.

His Lordship desired to know if the power to divert the stream does not according to their act and contended that Mr. McPhillips was of the opinion that it did not.

His Lordship wished to be enlightened as to the claim of the riparian owner regarding the appropriation of the lakes and diminishing the flow.

Mr. McPhillips—They divert the water into the reservoirs and the stream from its natural course, and make the water flow down a channel which in some places is not the natural course.

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Regarding the tributaries, His Lordship contended that the word could not be used when referring to the main source. It was a very difficult proposition to draw a distinction between a lake expansion and a river. He contended that the main point was whether or not the legislature had used a distinct name for the lakes.

Mr. McPhillips contended that they had done so in 1885. Why did they not do so in 1892?

Mr. McPhillips again stated that the plaintiffs will have to prove that the Victoria Power Company are excluded from the right to record.

His Lordship contended that the

word "waterworks" meant to divert the supply of water from its source.

Mr. McPhillips then took up the question of the locality in which the water works company are entitled to supply water, and the discussion was still in progress when an adjournment was taken until this morning at 11 o'clock.

**RUSSIA'S SECRET GOVERNMENT.**

**Document Received in Boston Proves That Witte Has Been Superseded.**

Boston, Dec. 19.—A communication to Russian residents in Boston has been received by a Russian saying that the document has been issued by a league. It ends in part:

"Our suspicions of an inner and secret government superseding that of Count Witte have been confirmed. Witte is kept in place by the Czar so as to allay the suspicions of other European powers and to endeavor to blind the public as to the actual conditions existing in the palace. A case has just happened that proved the truth of our assertion. The Count of Odesa, Neidgard who organized the massacres in that city and the provinces, was dismissed by Witte for the hand he took in the work. He has now been appointed Governor of Nijni Novgorod."

"Count Witte, on being asked how he could give a new and even greater and higher appointment to such a notorious villain, replied that the appointment was made not only without his consent, but even without his knowledge."

The communication relates that in several of the provinces the Czar's manifesto of emancipation was withheld by order of

**The Secret Government**

Had the manifesto been made public, the letter says, wholesale massacres would have been prevented. The letter adds what is said to be a concrete evidence of a plot hatched to kill certain classes of people at Kieff. It says: "In the issue of the Kieff daily paper, Kieffskiy Obozretel, of November 16th Professor V. Telazhnev published an open letter to the abbot of the famous local Lavra monastery, accusing him of having issued from the printing works of the monastery a most inflammatory appeal to the faithful orthodox to defend the faith and the throne, not sparing their lives even in the attack against the Jews and constitutionalists. The appeal was printed in the monastery on September 11th and 12th last in very large quantities and bore beneath the official sanction the words 'authorized by the censor.'"

**An Official Exposure**

Another and more official exposure was made by Count Heiden, who was sent to Kieff by Count Witte to investigate the origin of the massacres there. Count Heiden succeeded in discovering the secret organization committee of the "Black Gang" and in seizing its correspondence and documents. According to these the attack was to begin on all Jews and after their extermination the massacre of all Christians and political suspects was to follow. The list of the latter had been supplied to the committee by the secret police. This statement is made by the Novyashin, the new organ edited by the poet Amski and Maxim Gorky. The letter is brought to a close in the following language: "We could multiply endlessly these proofs of the guilt of the Russian secular and church authorities in having fomented and directed, and openly instigated animosity between creeds and classes and organized a fratricide war in the hope of restoring the old regime, but we have no one to appeal to for justice to be meted out to these people."

## Dominion News Notes

(Continued from Page One.)

made today at a conference between representatives of Winnipeg and Kenora. They will play three games in the West—two here and one in Kenora—the latter town assuming a portion of the guarantee.

The warehouse of the Port Huron Thresher Company here was burned this afternoon, entailing a loss of \$10,000, insurance \$21,000.

**Bishop of Selkirk**

Edgip Stringer, whose consecration as Bishop of Selkirk took place at St. John's cathedral on Sunday, left for the east last night to spend the winter months. His first destination will be his former home in Kincardine, Ont., where he will probably return to the west late in February or early in March. The Bishop expects to spend about a month in the eastern districts in the interests of his own diocese of Selkirk, and he will also look out a number of men. He has appointed Bishop Rompess, late bishop of Selkirk, as commissary to administer his diocese until his return from the east.

A rather remarkable sight was witnessed here this afternoon when a train of cars loaded with John Deere plows was pulled into the depot consigned to a local firm.

The passenger traffic on the C. P. R. eastward tonight reached the high-water mark and the rush of people journeying home for the holiday season was something remarkable.

**For William Shipping**

Port William, Dec. 19.—The supremacy of Port William harbor over those of other Lake Superior ports was undeniably proved by the fact that the schooner A. Rogers last week cleared from here with 551,000 bushels of wheat, the largest cargo of grain that has ever started across the great lakes. The largest amount of grain ever before loaded into the holds of one lake vessel was 336,000 bushels, taken by the steamer Wolvin at Duluth at a time when the elements, for carrying big loads, were most favorable and when there was little prospect of a rough voyage or having to contend with low water at the time of sailing. Another significant feature is that the steamer which loaded at Duluth is a larger craft than the Rogers, and there is therefore little doubt that had the larger ship been equal to that at Port William it would have been possible for the Wolvin to load close on to 400,000 bushels, or about 400 carloads. During the past three or four days several messages from American vessel owners have been received by the custom officials and harbor master certifying that Port William on their splendid port.

**"The Party of Purity"**

Regina, Dec. 19.—It is reported that several arrests have been made in North Qu'Appelle, Hon. Mr. Motherwell's constituency, for bribery. One M. V. has been fined \$500 for buying votes in Liberal interests.

**The Saskatchewan Elections**

The result of the scrutiny of ballots and final recounting here and in Moose Jaw city will not be announced until December 27th.

**Mayor of Brandon**

Brandon, Dec. 19.—Mayor Fleming was re-elected today by a majority of 638 over Dr. McDiarmid, the Citizens' league candidate.

**Steel Plant for Kootenay**

Vernon, B. C., Dec. 19.—Next sum-

mer will see the manufacture of steel rails added to the industries of Kootenay. A plant will be erected near Crawford Bay. St. Louis and Cleveland capitalists, headed by Horsting of the latter city, have purchased extensive iron deposits near there for \$75,000.

**Fire at Rosthern**  
Rosthern, Sask., Dec. 19.—Half the best business block in Rosthern was destroyed at midnight by fire, when Lowe & Kempel's stock in the McIntyre building, McEwen's salerooms and the Webb bowling alley were wiped out by the flames. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss will reach \$30,000, while the owners are insured for \$13,000. Wright's jewelry store was also razed and is a total loss.

**PACIFIC COAST HAPPENINGS.**

**Sacramento City Council Has Encounter With S. P. Over Right-of-Way.**

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 19.—The Sacramento Southern railroad, a branch of the Southern Pacific, showed a determination this morning to hold 450 feet of track laid last Sunday on a portion of the river levee, to which, it is alleged, the company has no right. Superintendent of streets D. J. Mannix was instructed by Mayor Hassett to tear up the tracks, using what force was necessary. He had not been long at work before a switch engine backed a long string of cars upon the track and left them standing so that the work of tearing up the tracks could not proceed.

**Engineer's Horrible Death**

Los Angeles, Dec. 19.—Clifford J. Ruld, first assistant engineer in the Douglas building, Third and Spring streets, was crushed to death by a freight elevator in the rear of the structure today. He was caught between four large counterweights which supported the elevator and his body horribly mangled by 1,500 pounds' pressure.

**Pioneer Railroader Dead**

Oakland, Dec. 19.—Luther Fillmore, formerly superintendent of the South Pacific Coast (now) gauged railroad, between Oakland and Santa Cruz, died yesterday at the age of 79 years. Mr. Fillmore was a pioneer in railroading in the United States. He was born at Fayetteville, N. Y. At the age of 21 years he built the Syracuse and Binghamton railroad. Mr. Fillmore spent the last years of his life at Laramie, Wyo., where he had large cattle interests.

**Killed by Highwayman**

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 19.—Two men named Rutherford and Murray, both from Philadelphia, were killed last night by a highwayman near Diaz, a small city in Chihuahua, Mex. A man named Finstad, of Los Angeles, and another, unknown, were wounded. The robbers escaped. No details of the fight have been received.

**BRICK TRUST SURRENDERS.**

**Members of Chicago Organization Are Fined Two Thousand Dollars.**

Chicago, Dec. 19.—The so-called brick trust, of Chicago, made a complete surrender to State Attorney Healey in court yesterday and the following defendants were fined \$2,000 each with the exception of W. H. Weekler, who turned states evidence. George C. Prussing, president of the Illinois Brick Co.; J. H. Grey, sales agent for the same company; William H. Weekler, general superintendent of the company; Edward J. Tomlin, sales agent for Chicago Brick Co.; John J. H. Shepley, sales agent for the American Brick Co.; Patrick McMahon, business agent of the brick, sand, lime and terra cotta teamsters' union; Charles Hank, business agent of the brickmakers union; the Illinois Brick Co.; Chicago Brick Co.; and American Brick Co.

The indictments were obtained at the instance of a number of small dealers who complained to the grand jury that they were unable to get supplies unless they complied with the terms and all demands of the trust.

**The Combination of Brickmakers**  
which practically controlled the output of brick in Chicago and vicinity. As soon as the cases were called in court yesterday the attorneys for the defence announced that William H. Weekler had decided to turn states evidence, and it was desired that the punishment to be inflicted on the other nine defendants should be remitted in his case. Mr. Healey said that he was willing that this action should be taken in Mr. Weekler's case and the attorneys then entered pleas of guilt for all the other defendants. The fines were paid and the defendants were dismissed.

The charge against the labor leaders included with the officials of the brick combine in the indictment was that they call strikes on buildings where the contractors and brick purchasers from others than those in the combine.

In cases where these strikes were called it was said by the states attorney, the contractors were compelled to pay their men for all the time they were on strike under penalty of having their supply cut off by the combination or having a second strike called.

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### THE CASE FOR THE PROVINCES.

The Hon. Lomer Gouin, premier of the province of Quebec, was banquetted at the Windsor hotel in Montreal on Monday evening a week ago. Among those present to do honor to him were Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. G. W. Ross, both of whom spoke. The Quebec premier took occasion to refer to several political questions of moment to his province, and among them that of the readjustment of provincial subsidies to meet the altered conditions and the many requirements of the provinces. Speaking of the time of Confederation he asserted that the provincial revenue was badly allotted. To the central government that was sought to be created at that period he pointed out, was confined the protection of the general interests of all the provinces. That government had to be provided with sufficient resources to enable it to obtain its object without having recourse to direct taxation. The provinces showed themselves liberal, generous even. They gave up the customs and excise duties to the central power; that is to say, they gave up almost all their revenues for nothing remained to them but the revenues from the public domain and from licenses.

It was true that the provinces were left the right to impose direct taxation in order to raise or supplement the other revenues, but Mr. Gouin regarded that as the last resort of the provincial treasury. He felt sure, he said, that it was never intended by the fathers of Confederation that the provinces should be obliged to meet their expenses in that way; and had it been contemplated that they should, the provinces would never have consented. On this point there is the testimony of all the men who took part in the debates on the resolutions of 1864 in the House of the two Canadas. Two alternatives presented themselves, said George Brown, either to leave to the local governments certain indirect revenues now allotted to the Dominion, or to allot to the local governments a certain portion of the moneys collected by the Federal Government in the form of subsidies and allowances. The latter alternative was adopted. Mr. Gouin did not find fault with the arrangement, but the question was: Is the amount sufficient? Does it do justice to the provinces? He thought a great mistake had been made in fixing the basis.

To show how far the Fathers of Confederation had erred he pointed out that the amount set apart for government in Quebec was \$70,000. In the very first year after Confederation it had cost \$213,000, or three times the amount allotted. It had been estimated by the Hon. A. T. Galt that the administration of justice, benevolent institutions, public instruction and agriculture would not cost the provinces of Quebec and Ontario more than \$1,300,000. These services cost Ontario \$2,400,000 in 1901 and Quebec \$1,800,000 in 1901. Sir George Cartier estimated the cost of administering Quebec would be \$1,300,000. In 1876, ten years afterwards, the actual sum was \$3,101,576, or three times the estimated amount, and in 1904, \$4,978,930.

The Federal Government was being asked to increase the subsidies to the provinces and the claim was a fair one. The states of Australia had stipulated for three-fourths of the revenues received for customs and excise. Moreover, the Federal Government has the power to grant subsidies to the states of the Commonwealth on such terms and conditions as it may deem suitable, and, five years after the establishment of a uniform tariff in the Confederation the central Parliament can also decide that the excess of revenue over expenditure shall be paid to the provinces.

What wonders, asks Mr. Gouin, could the provinces do with three-fourths of the \$54,000,000 which the customs and excise bring to the Federal Government in Canada? He referred to the Australian system as the only fair and rational system. It will be remembered that that point was taken by Messrs.

Wilson and Green, in 1903, in making representations to the Ottawa government. It was Mr. Gouin set forth, the principle upon which grants in aid to schools were made. It was, he said, impossible to raise the sums required, and at the same time render efficient service to the people, without a resort to direct taxation, and it was shown that in the minds of the Fathers of Confederation the subsidy from the Dominion was regarded as one that would always be the chief revenue of the provinces. Any government in Quebec that resorted to direct taxation, it was alleged, would fall. Mr. Dorian, when he pointed out that the subsidy would not be sufficient for the requirements, was accused of being a demagogue and of seeking to frighten the people. Mr. Gouin concluded with a very complete answer to objections that have been raised on the score of extravagance:

"It is likewise objected that an increase of the Federal subsidy would lead the local governments to extravagance. Such an objection is purely. The provincial governments, like the central government, are responsible to the people for the administration of the public moneys, and they must account to the electorate for every cent they spend, whereas the money spent may come from. And, finally, is it because we might squander what is due us that the payment of the same should be refused us? Has any court ever been known to refuse to render justice because he who claimed what is due him might afterwards make a bad use of it?"

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who followed Mr. Gouin, treated the subject very gingerly "en passant." After briefly sketching the history of Confederation, the reports state that Sir Wilfrid disposed of it in this way: "The pacts and agreements entered into for Confederation must be observed. This was why provincial subsidies were granted and the principle must be maintained. This principle has, however, been discussed by others, whose views cannot always be accepted,—but the dinner table is not the place for such a discussion.

"Mr. Gouin is not the only man to suffer from an insufficiency of means. He knows that. (Laughter.) There are many things the Federal Government could do if it only had the means." (Laughter.)

There are a great many complaints made about the street-lighting service. If the city can do better with the facilities at its disposal it ought to try.

Non-compulsory pilotage will soon be a live question in Victoria. Business men are anxious that this city should be permitted to take full advantage of its natural opportunities in the way of shipping.

"Peopleizing" is the latest word to be coined. Thus "peopleizing" the corporations is used to express an idea of wider distribution of the shares among the people and a stricter account to them by the directors.

There is a movement among the colleges of the United States to reform football. The dangers of "playing the game" are so great, as attested to by the number of fatalities and serious casualties, that it means either reform or prohibition.

Montreal Gazette: The Women's Council at Victoria, B. C., is worried over the cigarette smoking of certain of the women of its city. The good ladies of the council do not like their weak sisters to make men of themselves in so vicious a fashion.

From Winnipeg to Edmonton, some 825 miles, will be covered in 24 hours by fast express. We presume that the rest of the distance from Edmonton to Victoria could be covered in another 21 hours, as soon as the railway has been extended this far.

"Effective control" is the phrase which Campbell-Bannerman has substituted for Home Rule for Ireland. If he could succeed in introducing effective control in an Irish parliament, he would do more than has been possible in a House in which the Irish members are largely in the minority.

John Alexander Dowie, head of the Christian Science church, has abdicated, and is going to reside on an island of the Caribbean sea for the benefit of his health. President Dowie has evidently some faith in the old-fashioned methods of getting well. The finances of Zion City, which are also in need of repair, are to be reorganized.

The Boundary Creek Times views with alarm the recent meeting between Premier McBride and President Shanzhnessy, and says: "Doubtless the premier needs a strong friend at the next election and the C. P. R. are anxious to get a million or so acres of the public domain to which it is not entitled and another million dollars of public funds for the construction of a railway to parallel another road which is being built without public aid. The people, however, are more anxious to keep the lands and the money than they are to help McBride or the C. P. R." Talking of land grants there is a railway corporation much nearer to Duncan Ross's heart than the C. P. R., whose promoters expect a land grant of about 10,000,000 acres of land and have expressed their determination to "bust" the government if it is not granted.

Edward Atkinson, the well-known publicist of the United States, who died the other day, was an old-fashioned anti-imperialist. He was a statistician of note who wrote many works on political economy. He made a bitter attack a few years ago on the policy of the United States in taking and keeping the Philippine Islands. His pamphlet entitled "The Cost of a National Crime; the Hell of War and its Penalties" created a sensation and was barred from the mails by the Postmaster-General. In 1888 he was appointed special commissioner to report upon the status of bimetallism in Europe, and set himself to the task with characteris-

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The magnitude of the undertaking to build the Panama Canal may be best judged, says the Argonaut, by the following comparison:

In the construction of the Suez canal, ninety-nine miles long, 99,400,000 cubic yards of earth were excavated at a cost of ninety-three millions of dollars; in the Manchester canal, twenty-six miles long, 53,000,000 cubic yards were excavated at a cost of sixty-five millions of dollars; in the construction of the Chicago Drainage canal, 40,000,000 cubic yards were removed at a cost of \$28,400,000, the length of the canal being twenty-two miles. The Panama canal, however, if constructed on the sea-level plan, will require the removal of 275,000,000 cubic yards of earth, at an estimated cost of two hundred and fifty millions of dollars, and the length of the canal will be fifty miles. It has been calculated that the earth which it will be necessary to remove in order to make the channel would build a wall ten and a half feet high and six feet thick encircling the earth.

One of the few remaining links binding the living of today in Victoria with the old Hudson's Bay Co. days, the time when the fort was the "seat of government," has been severed in the death of Mrs. Cridge, wife of the venerable Bishop Cridge. For fifty years these two most worthy of our citizens ministered to the spiritual wants of the people of Victoria, and have been prominent in all good works. It was inevitable that in time they should be parted. Now that the time has come, after over fifty years of wedded life, for Bishop Cridge to tread the remainder of his path alone, the sympathies of the whole community will go out to him. The deceased lived to the good old age of 78 and has passed away remembered and esteemed by a wide circle of old friends and associates, and beloved by all who knew her. It would be impossible to write a history of Victoria for the past fifty years without noting her marked influence upon social and religious life during that time.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

[The Editor does not hold himself responsible for views expressed by correspondents.]

### THE RAILWAY BELT.

Sir—The Dominion built the section of the C. P. R. through the mountains to Port Moody, and the province gave the Dominion the land grant called The Belt. The C. P. R. has no part or share in it. Last year the Dominion received from sales and leases \$117,000, and received in all to date \$1,113,000 proceeds of the Railway Belt.

W. J. MACDONALD.

### METCHOSIN SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Sir—Your notice in the Daily Colonist of Tuesday, 19th about the trustees of Metchoshin school district is rather premature, as no meeting of the trustees has been held announcing that decision.

J. H. SMITH.

### SEVERAL QUERIES.

Sir—Mr. Sorby emerges this morning with a six hundred word maze with the wrong word of words.

The points were sharp enough to have picked up in the dark. Drop my personal opinion of associations as expressed in my letter and take up the following charges and propositions:

1. Are the Property Owners responsible for present taxation by reason of an excessive charge on real estate values in the past, entailing an extension of area more than double of the requirements?

2nd. Is it not a fact that large unimproved tracts of land within the city limits fall of comparative taxation with small and improved property?

3rd. Will the hampering restrictions of yearly legislative amendment produce the right crop of representatives? In other words, Mr. Sorby, will men of energy and independence essay the thankless task of evolving something out of nothing.

4th. If possible sources of revenue, kept dormant by those whose interests identify with the Property Owners' Association, are to be left untouched, will that body jointly consider with the North Ward Association the adding to our municipal plant of a few revenue producing works with a view of lessening the burden of direct taxation and giving the public the benefit of improved service at reduced rates?

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**Haleyon Club.**—The Haleyon Club will meet this evening at 8:30 o'clock in the A. O. U. W. Hall.

**Friendly Help.**—All friends who intend sending donations to the Friendly Help are asked to send them to the rooms, market hall, today (Wednesday), as the ladies hope to distribute the Christmas boxes on Thursday. The rooms will be closed from Friday, December 22, until January 2.

**For the Orphans.**—Tomorrow at 3:30 p. m. the pupils of St. Ann's kindergarten and primary school will give an entertainment in behalf of the orphans at Nanaimo and Qualicum. No tickets will be issued, but admission will be obtained by the donation of a pair of stockings.

**Le Roi Embraglé.**—A special Canadian Associated Press cablegram of yesterday from London says: "Mr. McMillan's circular issued to the Le Roi directors and shareholders says the company's poll of votes by means of polling papers sent to shareholders for signatures is illegal. Mr. McMillan has taken proceedings to have a judicial decision to that effect. Mr. McMillan insists that the vote should have been taken at the recent meeting by personal vote or proxy."

**Windy Arm Mines.**—A London, Eng., despatch of yesterday says: "Col. Conrad, who is here, says he has already made arrangements to expend \$15,000,000 during the coming summer in developing mines at Conrad, Windy Arm district, building railways and smelters. He believes the mines are the richest in the world. He conferred with prominent miners and bankers here. Mr. Bristol, M. P., representing the Toronto end of the company, is with him."

**Municipal Campaign.**—It is now definitely announced that W. G. Cameron, M. P. P., will not be a candidate for the mayoralty at the approaching civic elections; that gentleman having issued a statement denying that he would stand, business and other engagements preventing him from agreeing to the wishes of many who asked him by petition to become a candidate. The popular impression is at the present outlook that Ald. Goodacre will be the only nominee for the position of chief magistrate. Ald. J. A. Douglas has decided to be again a candidate. Mr. Douglas has served one year in the capacity of alderman.

**Tennis Club Ball.**—At the Assembly Hall, Fort Street, this evening the annual ball of the auspicious of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club will be held, commencing at 9 o'clock sharp. The committee in charge and those who have kindly consented to assist will be at the hall throughout the day, superintending the final decorations, "cosy corners," supper room, etc. All contributions towards the supper should be delivered at the hall (view street entrance) between 4 and 5 p. m. Messrs. Weller Bros., the well known furniture manufacturers, have kindly consented to arrange and furnish one of the corners. As a large number of tickets have already been disposed of, the committee in charge are preparing for a "full house," and it is evident that the small hours of the morning will be well advanced before the programme of dances, coupled with the encores that Miss Thair's orchestra will certainly be obliged to give, is completed. Tickets may be had from Hibben & Co., Challoner & Mitchell, and member of the tennis club, committee, or from the doorkeeper, at the price of \$1.50 for gentlemen and \$1 for ladies.

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J. H. Christie, the well known old-time prospector and explorer, has returned from a fortnight's trip through East Kootenay, where he examined some coal and oil properties, says the Rossland Advertiser. He reports that he has made a hard trip, owing to the deep snow, but says there is plenty of coal and undoubtedly oil is there, as there are many strong surface indications of it. He says he firmly believes that East Kootenay will in time be developed into the great oil fields on the continent.

Before Mr. Christie went to East Kootenay he had just returned from the Okanagan district where he located seven miles of excellent bituminous coal, located within seven miles of the west shore of Okanagan lake, along what is known as Short's creek. The coal is only twenty miles from the city of Vernon. The seams carry about ten feet of good coal, which is good for domestic and steam purposes and is an excellent coke coal. Analyses show that it carries 85 per cent. of fixed carbon and only 4½ per cent. of ash. Messrs. Baker & McVittie, of Cranbrook, are interested with Mr. Christie in the coal, and intend to open and develop the property this winter, so as to be able to supply the local demand in the spring. Just as soon as transportation facilities are afforded the intention is to supply the smelters in the Boundary and elsewhere with coke.

Mr. Christie two months since visited the Shuswap lake country and says that the surface showings there are something remarkable. While there he visited a very important find of galena, near Seymour arm. There is a twelve-foot ledge, which can be traced on the surface for at least seven miles. In the ledge there is from four to six feet of solid galena on the footwall and six feet of rich concentrating ore. This, Mr. Christie says, is regarded as one of the greatest finds of silver-lead ever found on the continent. Sixteen of the claims have been bonded by their several owners. Mr. H. H. Hurd, representing Salt Lake capital, for \$250,000. The intention of the people who have bonded these claims is to go on with the work of developing them this winter.

Mr. Christie will be in town for a few days when he will leave for the Okanagan for the purpose of looking after his coal property.

**Gift to Church.**—Mr. Justice Martin has presented to St. Barnabas' church a number of beautiful stained glass windows. The gift is much appreciated, not only by the rectory but by all the members of the congregation.

**Confer Degrees.**—Victoria lodge No. 1 I. O. O. F., will hold their next meeting for the conferring of degrees in their hall at the usual hour on Friday evening next. A full attendance of members is being requested during the proceeding of this very instructive ceremony.

**Orphans' Home.**—Mrs. W. W. Wilson, who for some time past has been collecting for the Protestant Orphans' Home, regrets to announce that on account of ill-health she has been obliged to give up the work. She trusts, although the monetary call is not made, the little ones will not be forgotten by them.

**Poultry Show.**—The annual show of the Victoria Poultry and Peacock Association will be held from the 10th to the 12th of January. Elmer Dixon, of Oregon City, has been selected to act as judge. Entries will be received by Secretary Jamieson, 71 Fort street.

**North Ward Activity.**—The regular weekly meeting of the North Ward Municipal Association was held last evening, chief amongst the business being a discussion on the streets, sidewalks and sewers. There was a good attendance both of the general public and prospective candidates, and the meeting proved exceptionally interesting.

**Letter Found.**—A letter picked up on the corner of Yates and Douglas streets by Supt. McIntyre, of the Royal Engineers, addressed to Mr. James Baldwin, addressed to Union Oak, Killarney, Man., was posted immediately and will reach its destination in due course. This news may ease the mind of the writer of the letter, should the same be of importance.

**Federal Promotion.**—George Riley, M. P., who arrived at Ottawa yesterday, called at the postoffice department and arranged for an order-in-council being put through making the appointment of J. Murray, postoffice inspector at Vancouver, permanent. Mr. Murray is very well known in Victoria, where for many years he acted as assistant to Capt. Fletcher, postoffice inspector for Vancouver Island, northern British Columbia and the Yukon. Mr. Murray, besides being an efficient officer, is a regular sportsman. He left this city for Vancouver a short time ago.

**Victoria College Lecture.**—The sixth and last lecture of the Victoria college course will be delivered on Friday evening next in the High school assembly hall by Rev. Thos. W. Gladstone. The subject will be "A Peep at the Old Country—Hampshire and the New Forest." The lecture will be illustrated by many stereoscopic views of notable scenery associated with the subject, and will include a wealth of reminiscences of such familiar men as Wm. Gilbert White, Tennyson, Dickens, Selby, George Herbert, Nelson and others.

**E. & N. Excursions.**—Conforming with the custom of past years, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway will not operate any trains on Christmas day, the regular service being operated on New Year's Day. Excursion rates will be in effect between all points for the festive season, tickets being on sale from Saturday, December 23, until Monday, January 1st, good for return until Tuesday, January 2. This will afford an opportunity for friends or relatives to spend either Christmas Day or New Year's day with friends at different points along the line.

A plate of the Quaker Brand canned food makes a delicious ending to the sumptuous meal, and a pleasing dessert without any trouble can be had at all grocers at a very low price.

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Comox Board of Trade.—At Cumberland, Comox district, on Thursday evening the merchants and citizens met in the council chamber and elected officers for a board of trade for Cumberland city and the district of Comox, the following being elected: President, R. Ross Napier; vice president, S. Shore; secretary, T. H. Carey; and a council of twelve members. At the next meeting by-laws are to be submitted, but in the meantime the by-laws of the city of Vancouver have been adopted. Each office was hotly contested. It is expected that, beginning with the new year, the board will take up such matters as a daily mail service, freight rates, an express office, long-distance telephone, storing of powder within the city limits, abolition of the local credit system and a number of other matters.

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Even better news is expected tomorrow, as the steamer from Vancouver is expected to bring a supply of Fry's chocolates and other sweet stuffs, which are coming overland from the Old Country.

## RETAIL MARKETS.

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Oats, per ton                | \$28.00 |
| Wheat, per ton               | \$32.00 |
| Barley, per ton              | \$27.00 |
| Hay (Island), per ton        | \$12.00 |
| Hay (Fraser), per ton        | \$12.00 |
| Straw, per bale              | 65      |
| Potatoes (Island), new       | \$20.00 |
| Corn, whole, per ton         | \$31.00 |
| Corn, cracked, per ton       | \$32.00 |
| Feed, per ton                | 45      |
| Oatmeal, per 10-lb. sack     | 35      |
| Rolls oats, per 7-lb. sack   | \$6.00  |
| Hungarian, per bbl.          | \$1.00  |
| Lingnan, per sack            | 1.40    |
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| Snow Flake, per sack         | \$1.40  |
| Snow Flake, per bbl.         | \$5.25  |
| Three Star, per sack         | \$1.50  |
| Three Star, per bbl.         | \$5.50  |
| Drifted Snow, per sack       | \$1.40  |
| Drifted Snow, per bbl.       | \$5.25  |
| Midlands, per bag of 80 lbs. | \$1.10  |
| Bran, per bag of 70 lbs.     | 50      |

## FRUIT.

|                              |          |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Cooking Apples               | 8 to 10  |
| Fig, Smyrna, per lb.         | 15 to 25 |
| Valencia raisins, per lb.    | 10 to 15 |
| Lemons, California, per doz. | 35       |
| Citrus, each, per lb.        | 10       |
| New cleaned currants         | 15       |
| Best Sultans                 | 15       |
| Best Sultans, Smyrna         | 20       |
| California Sultans           | 15       |
| Table raisins                | 25, 35,  |
| Oranges, per dozen           | 50       |
| Oranges, Jap. per box        | 65       |
| Grapes, per basket           | 75       |

## VEGETABLES.

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Cabbage, per lb.       | 3                |
| Onions, 5 lbs. for     | 25               |
| Potatoes, per 100 lbs. | \$1.00 to \$1.25 |
| Carrots, per lb.       | 1 1/2 to 2       |

## DAIRY PRODUCE.

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Fresh Island, per dozen      | 45 |
| Manitoba, per doz.           | 30 |
| Fresh cream, per pint        | 30 |
| Cheddar                      | 25 |
| California cheese, per lb.   | 25 |
| Canadian cheese, per lb.     | 20 |
| Butter—                      |    |
| Manitoba, per lb.            | 25 |
| Best dairy, per lb.          | 30 |
| Victoria Creamery, per lb.   | 35 |
| Covellian Creamery, per lb.  | 35 |
| Delta Creamery, per lb.      | 35 |
| Comox Creamery, per lb.      | 35 |
| Chilliwack Creamery, per lb. | 35 |

## OIL.

|                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Coal oil (Pratt's) per can        | \$1.50 to \$1.80 |
| Turkey (local), per lb.           | 30               |
| Turkey (imported), per lb.        | 25               |
| Geese, dressed, per lb.           | 20 to 25         |
| Ducks, dressed, per lb.           | 20 to 25         |
| Spring chickens, dressed, per lb. | 20 to 22 1/2     |
| Pigeons, dressed, per pair        | 40               |
| Rabbits, dressed, each            | 60 to 75         |
| Hare, dressed, each               | 75               |

## POULTRY, FISH AND GAME.

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Cod, salt, per lb.               | 12 1/2           |
| Herring (Holland), salt, per keg | \$1.50           |
| Halibut, fresh, per lb.          | 10 to 12 1/2     |
| Chickadee, per lb.               | 5                |
| Flounders, fresh, per lb.        | 5                |
| Salmon, salt, each               | 15               |
| Salmon, salt, per lb.            | 10               |
| Halibut, per lb.                 | 10               |
| Mackerel, salt, each             | 15 to 20         |
| Smelts, per lb.                  | 10               |
| Crabs, each                      | 10 to 12 1/2     |
| Clams, per lb.                   | 5                |
| Oysters, Olympia, per doz.       | 30               |
| Oysters, Toke Point, doz.        | 40               |
| Shrimps, per lb.                 | 25 to 35         |
| Meats—                           |                  |
| Tongues, per lb.                 | 20               |
| Beef, per lb.                    | 8 to 10          |
| Mutton, per lb.                  | 8 to 10          |
| Hams, American, per lb.          | 22               |
| Bacon, American, per lb.         | 22 to 26         |
| Bacon, rolled                    | 10 to 15         |
| Pork, per lb.                    | 10 to 15         |
| Veal, per lb.                    | 10 to 15         |
| Lamb, per quarter                | \$1.25 to \$1.75 |

## WHOLESALE MARKETS.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| The wholesale houses say that a pretty brisk business is being done in the usual Christmas supplies. There are no alterations in prices reported. |         |
| American wheat, per ton   | \$33.00 |
| Manitoba feed wheat, per ton  | 30.00   |
| Oats, Manitoba, per ton   | 27.00   |
| Oats, Island, per ton   | \$28.00 |
| Barley, Manitoba, per ton   | 25.00   |
| Barley, Island, per ton   | 25.00   |
| Flour, Hungarian, Ouellet's, Royal  | 5.75    |
| Household, per lb.  | 5.75    |
| Flour, Hungarian, Lake of the Woods   | 5.75    |
| Five Roses, per bbl.  | 5.75    |
| Flour, Hungarian, Moffet's  | 5.75    |
| Flour, pastry, Moffet's   | 4.40    |
| Snow, per bbl.  | 24.00   |
| Bran, per ton   | 24.00   |

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## STOCK MARKETS

New York, Dec. 19.—There was no trace in the stock market today of yesterday's historical fit over the Chicago bank failures. It was asserted in fact that the shaking out of weekly securities had benefited the market. Such hesitation and uncertainty as were manifest in the market were traceable to conditions normal to the closing of business and the day's development.

However, there was a distant revival of aggressive bullish spirit and many striking advances were recorded, although the bulk of the trading was confined to a few stocks. The day's notable movements were elsewhere than in the railroad list. The rather unexpected assumption of control of T. C. & I. to the new purchasers, secured to the company a considerable increase in the buying which has made the high level for the stock, much the considered to be ended. A sharp break resulted. The marking up of Amalgamated Copper to par again had a strengthening effect on the general list. Money was notably easier, both on call and time, notwithstanding some very large further shipments to Chicago through private sources. Many demands, however, continued to enter up on London, and an advance on the Bank of England discount rate on Thursday is considered a possibility. The sharp break in People's Gas was attributed by rumor to a liquidation growing out of the Chicago failures and increased disposition to take profits all through the market. Profits were realized considerably before the close, in consequence, and some of the important gain completely wiped out. The closing was easy. After the close the reduced dividend and reduced price of gas put in effect by People's Gas became known.

Bonds were irregular; total sales, par value, \$1,850,000. U. S. new fours declined 1/8 per cent. on call.

## Money Markets

London, Dec. 19.—Consols for money 88 1/2-1/4; for account 88 1/2. New York, Dec. 19.—Prime money—Sterling exchange paper 5 1/2 to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange easy, closing steady at \$4.86 1/2 to 3/4 for demand, and at \$4.82 1/2 to 3/4 for 60 days bills. Post office \$4.82 1/2 to 3/4. Commercial bills \$4.82 1/2 to 3/4. Silver 65 1/2. Mexican dollars 50 1/4 to 1/2. Government bonds heavy. Railroad bonds irregular.

## Metal Markets

London, Dec. 19.—Lead £10 17s. 6d. New York, Dec. 19.—Lead \$5.35.

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## NEW YORK STOCKS.

|  |         |         |         |         |  |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| (Reported by F. W. Stevenson.)   |         |         |         |         |  |
| New York, Dec. 19.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:       |         |         |         |         |  |
| Open. High. Low. Close.  |         |         |         |         |  |
| A. T. & S. F.  | 26 1/2  | 27 1/2  | 26 1/2  | 26 3/4  |  |
| Preferred  | 111 1/2 | 112 1/2 | 111 1/2 | 112     |  |
| B. & O.  | 111 1/2 | 112 1/2 | 111 1/2 | 112     |  |
| C. P. R.   | 173 1/2 | 174 1/2 | 173 1/2 | 173 3/4 |  |
| Erie Ry.   | 47 1/2  | 47 3/4  | 46 3/4  | 46 3/4  |  |
| Ill. Cent.   | 153 1/2 | 153 3/4 | 153 1/2 | 153 3/4 |  |
| N. Y. C. & H. R.   | 151 1/2 | 151 3/4 | 151 1/2 | 151 3/4 |  |
| Man. L.  | 163 1/2 | 163 3/4 | 163 1/2 | 163 3/4 |  |
| Met. St. Ry.   | 121 1/2 | 121 3/4 | 121 1/2 | 121 3/4 |  |
| M. P. Inc.   | 102 1/2 | 102 3/4 | 102 1/2 | 102 3/4 |  |
| N. & W.  | 117 1/2 | 117 3/4 | 117 1/2 | 117 3/4 |  |
| N. Y. O. & W.  | 84 1/2  | 84 3/4  | 84 1/2  | 84 3/4  |  |
| Pennsylvania   | 140 1/2 | 141 1/4 | 139 3/4 | 140     |  |
| Reading Ry.  | 130 1/2 | 130 3/4 | 130 1/2 | 130 3/4 |  |
| Rock Island  | 22 1/2  | 22 3/4  | 22 1/2  | 22 3/4  |  |
| Sou. Pac.  | 60 1/2  | 60 3/4  | 60 1/2  | 60 3/4  |  |
| St. Paul   | 177 1/2 | 177 3/4 | 177 1/2 | 177 3/4 |  |
| Union Pac.   | 143 1/2 | 143 3/4 | 143 1/2 | 143 3/4 |  |
| Wabash Ry.   | 20 1/2  | 20 3/4  | 20 1/2  | 20 3/4  |  |
| Preferred  | 20 1/2  | 20 3/4  | 20 1/2  | 20 3/4  |  |
| Amal. Copper   | 98 1/2  | 98 3/4  | 98 1/2  | 98 3/4  |  |
| Anaconda   | 18 1/2  | 18 3/4  | 18 1/2  | 18 3/4  |  |
| Am. Loco.  | 68 1/2  | 68 3/4  | 68 1/2  | 68 3/4  |  |
| Am. Smelting   | 10 1/2  | 10 3/4  | 10 1/2  | 10 3/4  |  |
| Am. Sugar  | 151 1/2 | 151 3/4 | 151 1/2 | 151 3/4 |  |
| Cent. Leather  | 45 1/2  | 45 3/4  | 45 1/2  | 45 3/4  |  |
| C. P. & I.   | 56 1/2  | 56 3/4  | 56 1/2  | 56 3/4  |  |
| Int. Paper   | 57 1/2  | 57 3/4  | 57 1/2  | 57 3/4  |  |
| Nat. Lead  | 27 1/2  | 27 3/4  | 27 1/2  | 27 3/4  |  |
| Poo. Gas   | 100 1/2 | 100 3/4 | 100 1/2 | 100 3/4 |  |
| T. C. & I.   | 145 1/2 | 145 3/4 | 145 1/2 | 145 3/4 |  |
| United Copper  | 25 1/2  | 25 3/4  | 25 1/2  | 25 3/4  |  |
| U. S. Steel  | 37 1/2  | 37 3/4  | 37 1/2  | 37 3/4  |  |
| Preferred  | 104 1/2 | 104 3/4 | 104 1/2 | 104 3/4 |  |
| Western Union  | 93 1/2  | 93 3/4  | 93 1/2  | 93 3/4  |  |
| Sales to noon, 698,200 shares. Total sales, 1,264,800 shares. Money, 4 1/2 per cent. |         |         |         |         |  |

## CHICAGO MARKETS.

| CHICAGO MARKETS.  |               |        |        |               |  |
|---|---------------|--------|--------|---------------|--|
| (Reported by F. W. Stevenson.)  |               |        |        |               |  |
| Chicago, Dec. 19.—The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade today: |               |        |        |               |  |
|   | Open.         | High.  | Low.   | Close.        |  |
| Wheat, No. 2  |               |        |        |               |  |
| Dec. ....   | 84            | 84 3/4 | 84     | 84 1/4        |  |
| May ....  | 87 1/2        | 88 5/8 | 87 1/4 | 88 1/2        |  |
| July ....   | 82 7/8        | 84     | 82 5/8 | 84            |  |
| Corn, No. 2   |               |        |        |               |  |
| Dec. ....   | 48 1/2        | 50 1/2 | 48     | 50            |  |
| New ....  | 45            | 46     | 45     | 45 3/4        |  |
| May ....  | 44 3/4        | 44 3/4 | 44     | 44 1/2        |  |
| July ....   | 44 1/2        | 44 5/8 | 44 1/4 | 44 3/4        |  |
| Oats, No. 2   |               |        |        |               |  |
| Dec. ....   | 30 5/8        | 31     | 30 5/4 | 30 5/8        |  |
| May ....  | 31 7/8        | 32 3/4 | 31 3/4 | 32 1/2        |  |
| July ....   | 30 1/2        | 30 5/4 | 30 1/4 | 30 1/2        |  |
| Pork  |               |        |        |               |  |
| Jan. ....   | 13.20         | 13.52  | 13.20  | 13.50         |  |
| Feb. ....   | 13.40         | 13.72  | 13.37  | 13.67         |  |
| Livered—Wheat   |               |        |        |               |  |
| Dec. ....   | 68. 11 3/4 d. |        |        | 68. 10 1/4 d. |  |
| May ....  | 68. 10 5/4 d. |        |        | 68. 10 1/4 d. |  |



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## South Park Investigation

## Royal Commission Takes Evidence in Local Drawing Dispute.

## Affidavits of Pupils in Evidence—Scope of the Examination.

The royal commission appointed to adjudicate the matter of the drawing by pupils of South Park school sat yesterday and will resume this morning at 10:30. D. M. Eberts, K. C., appeared for the Council of Public Instruction.



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to the public press practically charging Mr. Blair and members of the council of public instruction with branding members of the South Park entrance class as cheats. This was a serious charge. So that all the facts might be laid before the public a royal commission had been appointed.

### The Affidavits

Mr. Eberts then submitted the drawing books and letters, affidavits, etc., bearing upon the case as evidence. There were fifteen affidavits and 29 drawing books. Many of the affidavits were in identical language and in Miss Cameron's handwriting. They were sworn before Mr. Jos. Peirson, J. P. Some were affidavits; some were affirmations. The majority of the affidavits swore they did not rule other than dividing lines on certain pages to separate the printed exercises from their drawings. Those pupils who made affidavits or affirmations were Fred Douglass, William R. Macfarlane, Eleanor S. Robinson, Maud McE Smith, Jessie C. Roberts, Mary C. Roberts, Ida McEwen, Mabel Booz, M. V. Haum, Jessie Mackay, Katie M. Jackson, Ernest G. Cassey, Harold P. Godfrey, Anton Henderson, Georgina Bebbington, and two letters were submitted to the same tenor, one from Sydney L. Wilson and one from Margaret J. Clay. Copies of newspapers containing letters by Miss Cameron, reports of school trustee meetings, etc., were submitted. A copy of the Colonist containing a letter by Muirhead, a pupil, which stated he had used rule and compass although Mr. Blair, examiner, had not questioned his drawings and also letter, W. L. Clay's, stating he had seen the Muirhead drawings which were shown to him as the only ones done according to regulations.

Mr. Eberts—How old is the Muirhead boy?

Miss Cameron—15 years.

Mr. Eberts—It's a very well-composed letter.

Miss Cameron's letter to the board of school trustees, stating she had not the affidavits in her possession was submitted, also the circulars of Mr. Blair, examiner with regard to the drawing work.

### Circular of Instructions

The circular of August 21st, issued by Mr. Blair and submitted as an exhibit, and the following among its clauses: "School Work Drawing Book IV.—Freehand—Although this work was very good from a few schools, it was, generally, not equal to that sent in for the preceding examination. There was clear evidence of much ruling, especially by some lines, and although the instructions for examination work stated that Ex. 4 was to be enlarged, this was disregarded by quite half the teachers. "Model Drawing.—With the exception of a few cases, teachers ignored the requirement regarding the size these drawings were to be made. They were to be 'about four inches across the longest size, certainly not less than three inches.' Many were again, as at the last examination, actually less than the small sketches printed at the foot of the page. A more important matter, and one which the attention of teachers was also called in my last report is that in most of the large schools the parallel views of the cube and shallow square box were again made all alike as regards the relative position of their vertical edges. It is impossible, as I said in my last report, that from 15 to 20 pupils can see a model in this way. The obvious conclusion is that these drawings were not made from the model at all, but either from the small sketches at the foot of the page, or from a drawing on the blackboard. I referred this state of things to the members of the examining board who were present, and they were unanimous regarding this view of the matter, and also as to the value such work in model drawing should receive. Another important question in connection with model drawing was presented itself, namely, ruled lines. In my last report a paragraph is devoted to this, concluding with these words: 'no ruling whatever is to be allowed in model drawing.' In the books from a number of schools, cases of ruling were obvious, here and there, along a rough edge, or the actual ruled line was covered by a freehand line—cases that had probably escaped the supervision of the teacher. When, however, it was found that in such schools as Strathcona and Mount Pleasant, Vancouver, and South Park and North Ward, Victoria, ruled work was found not only in every book but frequently on every drawing, the matter became serious, especially as in Strathcona, where a studied attempt throughout had been made to hide it. Under these circumstances I considered it necessary to bring this state of things also before the board of examiners, with the result that it was decided no marks should be awarded on the drawing book work from these schools."

The Examiner's Evidence  
David Blair, the examiner, was the first witness. He gave evidence of ruling by the pupils of South Park school, where, he said, drawing had been poorly taught. He was science and art master of the Normal School at Vancouver since 1900, was a graduate of the Kensington art school of London and had been an examiner of that school after graduation. Had done much work in the Encyclopedia Britannica. Was engaged in educational work in New Zealand; had been examiner at the last five British Columbia school examinations; was author of Blair drawing book, which was used in British Columbia schools; had lectured at times on drawing to British Columbia school teachers, particularly at Vancouver convention, which Miss Cameron attended, and prepared circulars admitted in evidence, always drawing attention to the fact that ruling was not permitted in drawing and model drawing. This was or should have been, common knowledge among teachers.

He took up the drawing books of the South Park pupils, one by one, pointing out the lines which had been ruled. The common drawing book was examined, and the various exercises but made no comment. Instances of ruling were pointed out by the witness, who made oath to each instance. He was suspicious of other lines but was not willing to swear to their being ruled, although positive as to the others.

The first book taken was that of Katie Jackson, one of those who made affidavit before Mr. Peirson, J. P., that she did not rule other than to make dividing lines between the exercise copy and her drawing. Many other instances of ruling were pointed out, page by page. The books of other pupils who made similar affidavits, Fred Douglass, Jessie Mackay, Mary Kathleen Roberts, Ernest George Cassey, Mary Macfarlane, Maud McE Smith, Harold Godfrey, Ida McEwen, Mabel Booz, and Georgina Bebbington, were examined and many ruled lines pointed out in each. Ruled lines were shown in many other books of pupils who had not made affidavits, in those of William Meyer, Ada Schwenker, Walter H. Bell, Harold Mitchell, Sidney Briggs, Leslie Ellis, Smith, Whitwell, Alfred Carter, William Pearson and Edna White.

The Model Drawings  
Many of the drawings in the model series had evidently been drawn without regard to the position of the model. One drawing by Mary Macfarlane was shown as the only one differing in the 29 drawings, which were all ruled. It was proposed to view the model from a different position. One drawing was shown which, witness said, had been drawn as

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the pupils looked at the model from the ceiling. Another was shown which, witness said, could only have appeared as drawn if the child had been suspended from the ceiling directly over the model. This, he said did not speak well for the manner in which the children were taught at South Park school. Measurement with dividers on supposedly free-hand drawings in several books showed the copy to be of exact, accurate size of the original. Comparisons were made with the time drawings and book drawings, showing that the pupils when left alone did not draw the converging lines similar to those in the books; the lines of the model drawings in the work of the pupils unaided diverged rather than converged. The children had evidently not been taught to do model drawing by free hand. There seemed, witness said, to be an idea that the books thrown out were refused marks only because they were ruled. As the report of August 21st states, there were three reasons, because the drawings were not according to size, because the model drawings were drawn alike by each pupil, which could not have been the case if pupils had drawn from the model. They had presumably been drawn from the designs made in the books to illustrate the manner in which drawing should be done, or from a sketch on the blackboard, as a whole class of pupils could not by any means see a model from the same point of view, and because many lines had been ruled.

Mr. Blair did not complete his evidence when the commission adjourned and will continue today.

DEATH YESTERDAY  
OF MRS. CRIDGE

Wife of Venerable Local Bishop Has Passed to the Great Beyond.

The death occurred early yesterday morning after a protracted illness, of Mrs. Cridge, wife of the venerable Right Rev. Bishop Cridge. Mrs. Cridge was known throughout the west as a leader in charitable work and her demise will be deeply lamented. She was married to Bishop Cridge at West Ham church, Essex, Eng., in 1854 and arrived in Victoria, accompanied by her husband, who was appointed by the Church of England, to the position of Bishop of the Diocese of the Hudson Bay Company in April, 1855. They arrived by the ship Marquis Bute, via Honolulu, being received on arrival by Governor Douglas, debarking at Clover Point, whence they were driven to the old fort on Wharf street at that time the principal building in the place. From that time up to the close of her career the late Mrs. Cridge's life was

full of usefulness and good purpose. She was the first Sunday school teacher in Victoria in connection with the Victoria district church, now Christ church cathedral, of which Bishop Cridge was clergyman and latter dean. For forty years she was identified with church work in this city. She assisted largely in the founding of the Protestant Orphan's Home, and for twenty years was president of the ladies' committee of that institution. Retiring, she was made honorary president for life of that body. She was also the first to introduce the Scripture Union Society. When the Duke and Duchess of York were here, Bishop Cridge and wife met them, and they were guests at the dinner given in honor of the royal party. After the return of the Duke and Duchess to England, Bishop and Mrs. Cridge were made the recipients of autograph photographs of their Royal Highnesses and their children, forwarded through the lieutenant-governor. This was accompanied by a message expressing the royal visitors' great pleasure at having met them. It was only in September of last year that the Bishop and Mrs. Cridge celebrated their golden wedding.

The late Mrs. Cridge was born on April 10th, 1827. She was the daughter of George Wilmitt, Vallence, Romford, Essex, Eng. After the father's death the daughter went to West Ham, where for some time she engaged in district Sunday school teaching. It was then that she met Bishop Cridge, who was incumbent of Christ Church, West Ham. She leaves among others to mourn her loss three daughters, Mrs. Crant, Mrs. Laundry and Miss Cridge a son, Richard Cridge, now in the Sandwich Islands. A grandson, Edward Cridge, and several other grandchildren; also a cousin and sister in England, the former being a fellow of the Oxford University.

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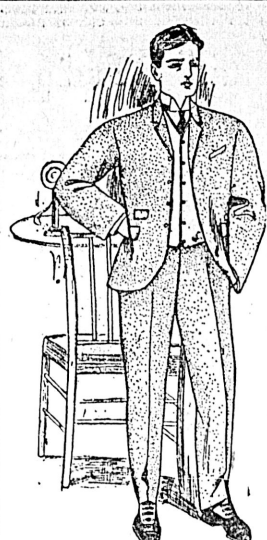
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### Report on Cariboo Consolidated

J. B. Hobson's Review of the Work During the Past Season.

The Urgent Need of an Improved Water Supply Strongly Emphasized.

The manager's annual report of the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company for the past season is now made public. It proves the necessity for what the manager, Mr. John B. Hobson, has been advising for the past few years—an improved water supply. The total run last season was only 14 days 18 hours, cutting down the production to 1,208 4-10 ounces, or \$21,733.47.

Mr. Hobson contends that according to the record of the run and the production from year to year, the gold product is shown to be dependent mainly upon copious precipitation and a supply of water sufficient to keep the operation in progress for about six months in a year is to be sought.

The short run last year emphasized the need of a new water supply. It is quite evident that the introduction of new capital by the sale of a controlling interest in the company to New York capitalists was brought about in order to provide for the putting in of the new water system for which Mr. Hobson has prepared the plans. This work will now be pushed forward with all expedition. Mr. Hobson will have to visit the East on some business connected with the transfer, and after that will come West and be ready to begin work early in the spring for bringing what is regarded as an unending water supply from Spanish lake, a distance of 17 miles. The surveys for the canal and the heavy piping have all been made.

Mr. John Hays Hammond, who now becomes associated in the Cariboo mine, and Mr. John L. Hobson are old-time friends. As mining engineers they each stood at the head of their profession in California. When the South African fields attracted attention some years ago both were offered inducements to take important positions with companies operating there. Mr. Hammond met with signal success, and there can be no doubt that Mr. Hobson, had he decided to go, would also have been similarly successful. Mr. Hobson decided, however, to come to British Columbia instead, with the result that the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company was formed, and its operations successfully carried on. The introduction of additional capital provides the means of making the property in every sense a success, prolonging the present short seasons to six months' time. In the

Report Presented by Mr. Hobson to the shareholders the past season's operations are referred to. The following extracts from the report speak for themselves:

"Owing to lack of ample precipitation the past season turned out the most disappointing one experienced since the equipment of the mine."

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ment and opening of the property. The total quantity of water afforded amounted to only 45,071 5-10 inches, which was sufficient to warrant the opening of the mine for regular mining.

"The small quantity of water available was, however, used to face up the bank so as to afford Mr. Charles Hoffman, the expert for Mr. John Hays Hammond, an opportunity to test the gold values of the deposits of the upper bench from the floor of the excavation to the surface."

"When the canals were opened and sufficient water accumulated in the pooling reservoirs the water was used at intervals of a few hours each to clear the cuts and sluices of the ice that accumulated therein during the winter months. This work commenced on the 20th day of April, and was completed on the 11th day of May. During the progress of the work, including 74 hours' washing, 8,275 miners' inches of water were used."

"Washing to remove the talus and to face up the bank commenced on the 12th day of May and continued for a period of 34 hours, equal to 14 days 18 hours' washing. During the progress of the work 36,796.83 miners' inches of water were used to wash out volcanic mud capping from which was recovered 1,208.7 ounces of gold, valued at \$21,733.47—an average yield of 11.81 cents per cubic yard. The duty attained for the water used was about five cubic yards per miner's inch per 24 hours."

The following Summary of the Season's Prospecting is given:

Total time occupied in washing top gravel, 354 hours, or 14 days 18 hours; total quantity of water used washing gravel, 36,796.83 miners' inches; total quantity of top deposits washed, 183,435 cubic yards; average duty of water per miner's inch, washing gravel, 5 cubic yards; average yield per cubic yard washed, 11.81 cents; average yield per 2,300 miners' inches of water used, 24 hours, \$1,208.70; value of gold recovered since 1894, \$1,212, 04; total value of gold recovered from June 1, 1894, to June 22, 1905, \$1,233,936.51.

The report with reference to the Water Supply

says as follows: "The precipitation for the season commencing at close of mining operations on September 4, 1904, and ending June 22, 1905, turned out the lowest recorded for the district since the phenomenal dry seasons of 1894 and 1897. Precipitation for season, 1904, 24.39 inches; precipitation for season, 1905 (rainfall 7.94 inches, for snowfall 4.75 inches), total for season, 13.79 inches; season, 1905, precipitation less than that of 1904 by 10.60 inches; quantity of water available and used during season 1905, 45,071 5-10 miners' inches; season of 1905, water supply less than that of season of 1904 by 180,146 miners' inches."

"The rain precipitation occurred in such light showers that only on three occasions, namely, October 20, 1904, and May 11, 1905, 58 inch; and May 11, 1905, 58 inch, did it prove sufficient to contribute any water to the reservoir lakes."

"The snowfall, which averaged 49.05 inches in the watershed of the lake, and in the reservoir lakes, went too slowly under the influence of moderately warm days accompanied by northerly winds and temperatures falling under freezing point at night, and the weather conditions for a year's supply and accounting for the unusually small percentage of the snow precipitation that was contributed to the reservoir lakes."

The report continues as follows: "Careful gaugings of the water supply flowing from Spanish lake from November 15, 1904, to date, indicate that the watershed tributary to that lake is capable, even with the light precipitation recorded for the past season, of affording ample water to keep the mine in continuous operation throughout the open season, and the company's water system should be extended with all possible haste to that source of abundant and permanent water supply."

"A 10 ft. x 10 ft. sluice tunnel was advanced 470 feet at a cost of \$18,332 per foot, making a total length to face 630 feet, and leaving 200 feet of tunnel and 60 feet of upraise to complete the new opening into the Spanish lake. The floor of which is now about 75 feet above the bedrock of the channel. During the months of May and June, several dikes of extremely hard rock were encountered, which interfered with the progress of the work and added materially to the cost thereof. The tunnel and upraise should have been completed without delay so as to facilitate the working of the lake, and deposits included in the lower bench and on the bedrock and the cutting out of about 4,000 feet of sluice, which is very expensive to maintain."

"The large amount of necessary repairs and development work done during the progress of the past two seasons' work leaves the water supply system and the mine in as good condition as possible for the continuous use of an abundant water supply; but the mine will not be in first class condition until the sluice tunnel is opened and the bank can be worked in one bench from surface to bedrock."

"The upper gravels washed during the season showed a marked increase in grade, indicating that the low grade zone encountered in the current-crooking has been passed."

"A bank blast of about 6,000 kegs of black powder, to cost about \$27,000, is strongly recommended. Such a blast would disintegrate and break up ready for economical washing the heavy capping of indurated volcanic mud at a cost not exceeding one cent per cubic yard, as against a cost of about 12 cents per cubic yard to break it up with dynamite and hard labor. The proper disintegration of indurated alluvial deposits tends to increase the washing duty of the water, thereby increasing the gold output, besides working a material reduction in the cost of mining."

### BIG ELECTRIC SCHEME.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Mr. Vanderbilt today confirmed the report that the New York Central had contracted with the Niagara, Lockport & Ontario Power Company for electricity to be used in the electrification of the New York Central lines in western New York.

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New York, Dec. 18.—Two hundred thousand dollars' worth of furs were destroyed by fire today in the establishment of Max Piasecki & Co., wholesale furriers and manufacturers of automobile garments, 37 and 39 East Twenty-first street. Other tenants in the building suffered heavy damage from water.

**RIVAL WOMEN IN DRESS.**  
Trade Paper Describes King Edward's Late Raiment.

London, Dec. 18.—The Tailor and Cutter is a trade paper which claims to know all there is to know of things sartorial. It declares men will soon rival women in brilliance of their raiment. The paper describes His Majesty's costume during his recent stay at Sandringham as very showy, consisting of a dark Norfolk jacket, knickerbockers, hose, gaiters and scarlet tunic. The scarlet head dress is apparently what is to influence the male Briton's garments, and the Tailor and Cutter points out the brilliance of the latest polka-dot, buttons of which, according to this authority, are not only jeweled, but some of them are frequently reproductions in miniature of famous works of art or most beautiful female portraits by some artists, as Gainsborough, Romney and others.

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**FATALITIES OF A DAY.**  
Three Children Meet Fatal Accidents in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Ten-year-old Charles R. Wren was so badly injured while coasting on a hill on Saturday that he died in the General Hospital yesterday.

Nine months' old Claude Jackson fell from a high chair on to the kitchen stove and sustained burns about the legs and body which caused death on Saturday.

Two-year-old Franklin Loyhead drank poison on Saturday and is dead. Stephen has been used as an eye lotion by a boarder, and the child got hold of the bottle and drank the contents.

**MR. HYDE FOR PARIS.**  
Former Owner of Equitable to Shake Dust of New York From His Feet.

New York, Dec. 18.—With all business ties severed, assured there will be no further call for him by the insurance investigating committee, James H. Hyde, according to his friends, will sail for France on the Touraine on December 28th to make his home in Paris, says the Herald.

In his house, No. 9 East Fortieth street, stand boxes, crates and frames, in which are packed the household goods, heirlooms and art treasures he has owned, and these will go with him. The house itself is for sale. Mr. Hyde, since his boyhood, has been a great admirer of the French

language, history and customs. He owns a beautiful home in the Avenue Henri Martin, and there he will take up his residence. He has been for years the principal patron as well as founder of the Alliance Francaise. He has encouraged the study of French. He has brought French lecturers to this country and paid for their services. He has been decorated by the French government and has been received by President Loubet.

Mr. Hyde's decision to live in Paris and the date for sailing have both been very carefully guarded secrets. None but his mother, his sister, Mrs. Sidney Dillon Ripley, and his most intimate friends know it. Not even his servants in his home knew of it. They are to be told this morning and at the same time the oldest of them, those who served his father, will be asked to go with him.

Mrs. Hyde, the mother, and Mrs. Ripley will not take in their residence abroad but will pay long visits.

**WALTER SCOTT AS AN HISTORIAN.**

Toronto Star.  
It is rather a curious commentary on the great bulk and brilliancy of English history that the majority of general readers take their historical impressions from Shakespeare, Scott, and Macaulay, one a dramatist, one a romancer, and the third be it said, somewhat of a romancer, too. The Duke of Marlborough said that all his knowledge of English history came from his reading of Shakespeare. Lord Chatham is alleged to have made the same confession. There may be a slight exaggeration, due to a desire to do homage to the poet, but no doubt in each case the general impressions were derived from Shakespeare.

The reason for all this is obvious enough. In the case of Elizabeth there was a distinct tendency to make history play a political part; to make it

English; to make it national; to make it support the Queen and the Reformation. The stage was used for the purpose, and Shakespeare was the English, national, popular master of the stage.

He set himself to his work with a high degree of genius and system. He packed his plays with real history from the Chronicles; but where he merely invented, his inventions were so artistic that they passed into the public mind as real history; just as his moral reflections passed into the public mind as scripture.

His Richard the Third and his Richard the Second have become the common property of the nation; no historian could remove the impression. His "King John" was a political pamphlet and a national appeal against home. In order to make the appeal successful, it was necessary to soften somewhat the adamantine wickedness of the King. But actual history appears in vain against Shakespeare.

Scott has been in like manner perhaps also in like measure, a maker of historical impressions. Hon. A. S. G. Canning has just published a volume, "History in Scott's Novels," which will be an invaluable handbook for the future for all students of the purely historical character and value of Scott as a historian.

Some time ago we called attention to the fact that by a chronological arrangement the whole of the Essays of Macaulay could be formed into a consecutive history of England and English literature, with parts of European history thrown in as they bore on the history of England. The writing of his history was all the more easy from the fact that the essays had been written. The vast scale on which he planned his work, which would have run into a score of volumes, had he continued at the rate he began, was probably due to his familiarity with the subjects he proposed to himself.

From the impressions made on the public mind by Macaulay few historical characters have escaped. When he painted white, as in the case of William, and when he painted black, as in the case of James, the colors remain, so far as the average reader is concerned, untouched by time. Attempts have been made to relieve the memory of Penn, and the memory of Lee, for example, but the vast body of readers remains uninfluenced by these pleas.

Mr. Canning has made a like chronological list of Scott's novels. These were published at random and without regard to historical continuity; but when arranged in historical order they form a continuous history. Scott invented, of course, and treated history as his servant, not his master; but he soaked his mind in original authorities before and during composition, as his introduction and notes prove. Thus "The Talisman" and "Ivanhoe" relate to Richard I.; "The Fair Maid of Perth" to Robert III. of Scotland; "Quentin Durward" to Louis XI. of France; "The Monastery" and "The Abbot" to Mary and Elizabeth; "Kenilworth" to Elizabeth in England; "The Pirate" to James I.; "Woodstock" to the Commonwealth; "Peveril" to Charles II.; "Old Mortality" to Charles II. and William III.; "Rob Roy" to George II.; "Waverley" to George II.; "Redgauntlet" to George III. The reader who chooses to study them in this way will save the same sense of historical continuity that he may have in reading Macaulay's Essays in their order of history.

The general effect is very much the same in both cases. To the great uncertainty of the date of the XI. of "Quentin Durward" is the real Louis XI. It is not only a fair picture, for Louis was more of a statesman and European character than Scott's plan and plot enables us to see. But what is writ is writ; and the portrait will persist, however we may try to efface the effigies of the Caesars.

In like manner Richard I. and Saladin have become stereotyped in the public mind as representatives of English and Oriental chivalry. Both are idealized, of course, for neither was so idealized as Scott paints him, but the picture stands. The chivalrous impression of Richard I. is increased in "Ivanhoe." So severe a critic as Bishop Stubbs says: "I would almost rather that boys were attracted by the reading of 'Ivanhoe' and 'The Talisman' than by the reading of the real history of the twelfth century, which is full of strange misrepresentations of manners and thought, than by the picturesque only, or mainly."

So in the case of the Stuart, "The Monastery," "The Abbot," "Woodstock," "Peveril," "Rob Roy," and "Redgauntlet," have established traditions that will not easily be effaced for some generations. They revived in the popular imagination, and ely in Scotland, but in England, and where a pathetic loyalty to the Stuart cause, Mary Stuart looks out of Scott's pages and exercises the same fascination as she did when she looked from her window and roused the enthusiasm of her faithful followers on the morning of her execution. "For, look you, Master Roland," said the old Falconer, "she was the loveliest creature to look upon that I ever saw with eyes." And somehow that emotional tradition has passed into the public mind, in spite of Mr. Froude and a dozen other historians.

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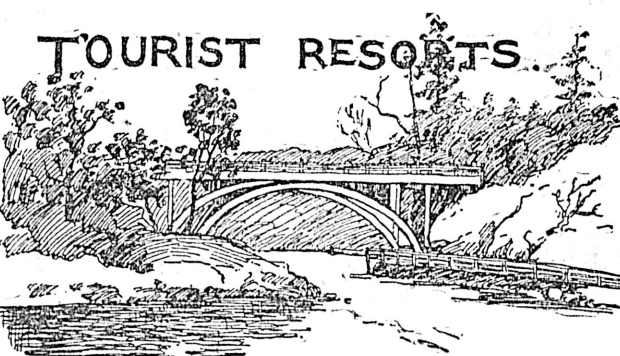
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